

REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested. Claims 4 and withdrawn claims 21-24 have been cancelled. Claim 25 has been added. Also, the claims are amended to include all the preliminary amendments filed May 05, 2005, which were left out of the August 21, 2007, amendment. Claims 1-3, 5-20 and 25 are now pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the remarks that follow.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 4, which contains allowable subject matter. Claim 1 is now believed to be allowable. Moreover, in this regard, dependent claims 5 and 6 have been amended to be dependent upon amended claim 1 to comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

With respect to the objection to the drawings, Applicant has elected to cancel the limitation "external connector" from claim 1, therefore putting the drawings in compliance with 37 CRF 1.83 (a).

Applicant also submits new claim 25 that recites a lid (48), which closes the open end of the sensor accommodating portion (41) and is located in the recess (16a). Support for this limitation is found in Figure 10(a) and in the Specification at page 14. Because new claim 25 is dependent on allowable claim 1, it is likewise allowable.

In view of the present amendments and above remarks, each of the pending claims, including claims 1-3, 5-20 and new claim 25, is believed to be in condition for formal allowance and the same is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner require input with respect to any remaining issues, he is asked to please contact the undersigned at the below number.

No fees are believed due with this communication. Nevertheless, should the Examiner consider any other fees to be payable in conjunction with this or any future communications, the Director is hereby authorized to direct payment of such fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501170.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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